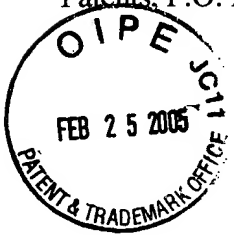


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REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time to file a response to the final rejection mailed on August 24, 2004, making the due date for the response February 24, 2005. Applicants enclose herein payment in the amount of \$ 510.00 for a three-month extension fee for a small entity. Also, in response to the final rejection, Applicants request continued examination and include payment in the amount of \$395.00 for such Request for Continued Examination.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Frederick L. Way II et al.
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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004 making final the rejection of pending claims 20-28 in the above-mentioned application, please amend this application as follows, and please reexamine and reconsider the claims as amended, and the accompanying arguments: